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Dear Sir:

I hereby certify under 37 CFR 1.8 that the following correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and is addressed to The Honorable Commissioner of Patents, Box DAC, Washington DC 20231.

- 1) Petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.183;
- 2) Declaration;
- 3) Copies of telephone bill;
- 4) Copy of the return postcard as filed; and

5) Return postcard.

Please return the enclosed postcard acknowledging receipt of this correspondence.

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PETITION TO SUSPEND THE RULES UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.183

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.183 that the filing date accorded the above-referenced patent application be changed to November 30, 2001, the date the application was mailed, based on the information received via a telephone conversation with the Patent Office concerning the procedure for emergency provisions under 37 C.F.R. 1.6 for mailing correspondence normally sent via Express Mail Post Office to Addressee under 37 C.F.R. 1.10. Applicants enclose a Declaration detailing the events and believe this constitutes extraordinary circumstances under which to suspend the rules and to grant the petition. Applicants further enclose a copy of the return postcard dated by Applicants November 30, 2001 identifying the documents filed for the above-referenced patent application. Applicants submit that a datestamped postcard was never received and that many return postcards dated November 2001 and after have not been received back from Patent Office.

Please debit the \$130 Petition Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(h) from Deposit Account No. 07-1185.

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DECLARATION

Dear Sir:

- I, Colleen M. Werner, do hereby depose and say as follows:
- 1. I am an employee of the law firm of Benjamin Aaron Adler, Registration No. 35,423, attorney of record for U.S. Ser. No. 10/006,759, accorded a filing date of December 10, 2001.
- 2. I placed a telephone call to the United States Patent Office either on November 20th or on November 30th to inquire about the Notification Related to United States Postal Service Interruption issued by the Office of Patent Legal Administration which I had read but had found confusing. I do not have the name of the person with whom I spoke. Nor do I remember if this conversation occurred immediately or if I left a message and received a return phone call.
- 3. I asked whomever I spoke with to explain to me how to use the temporary P.O. Box in Arlington, Virginia assigned for correspondence filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.10. I was told that if this address together with the

Box the correspondence was to be directed, i.e., Box Patent Application, was placed on a Certificate of Mailing, the attached correspondence would be received as though mailed according to 37 C.F.R. 1.10. I further inquired how this was to be mailed and was informed that it could be mailed via the U.S. Postal Service First Class Mail since express mail was not being accepted.

- 4. I acted in good faith on this information and I believed that this procedure would accord the filing date as that date on the Certificate of Mailing. I deposited the documents identified on the enclosed return postcard with the U.S. Postal Service as First Class Mail on November 30, 2001 to: The Honorable Commissioner of Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 2327, Box Patent Application, Arlington, VA 22201.
- 5. A true copy of the return postcard for the above-referenced patent application is attached hereto. A date-stamped postcard indicating receipt of the correspondence was not received, however many postcards dated November 2001 or later were damaged or lost during security procedures.
- 6. True copies of the phone bills detailing long distance calls placed on November 20, 2001 and on November 30, 2001 is attached hereto. I can not definitely state the exact date the telephone call was placed or to which telephone number it was made. Additionally, the numbers dialed and the number recorded on the telephone bill are not always the same for a particular telephone call as calls can be switched or redirected.
- 7. I hereby declare that all statements herein of my own knowledge are true, that all statements made on information and belief are

believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Date: April 4,2002

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